

"The Meaning of Citizenship in Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso): The Example of Waste Management"

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Among the challenges facing the city of Ouagadougou, the waste is high. Corollary of a growing population increasingly important and changes in the lifestyles of household waste are increasingly present in public space. They call all the public authorities and other actors of urban life (households, private operators, associations...)

Through this proposal, it is to understand how the different actors involved in urban life are positioning themselves in relation to waste management and how municipal politics is perceived in this area. To do this, we question the notions of public space, citizenship.

This communication is part of a research on household waste management in Ouagadougou. For production data, we have made observations and conducted interviews for profiles with waste disposal practices of these actors (men, women, city staff, etc.). Using these data, we conducted qualitative analysis whose purpose, is to reveal the difficulties related to waste management based on design differences and citizenship and ways of living in the city. In other words, we will try to show that in Ouagadougou, the waste management is a problem because the logic of decision makers/planners in this case the municipality does not coincide with those of some of the urban population.